

State Program Standing Committee

May 15, 2014

Comfort Inn, Berlin

Members present: Anne Bakeman, Max Barrows, Linda Berger, Bethany Drum, Joe Greenwald, Nicole LeBlanc, Greg Mairs, Kyle Moriarty, Edwin Place, Barbara Prine, Theresa Wood, Connie Woodberry, and Susan Yuan

Members absent: Emily Anderson, and Julie Cunningham

Guests and Staff: Rich Atkinson, Kara Artus, June Bascom, Camille George, Lori Lintner, Lisa Martel, Lisa Maynes, Betty Milizia, Kirsten Murphy, Claudia Pringles, Erin Rose, Tina Royer, Karen Topper, Marlys Waller

Minutes: April minutes were reviewed. Bethany Drum motioned to accept the minutes as written. Nicole LeBlanc seconded the motion. The motion passed to accept minutes as written.

Announcements:

- GMSA - The Voices and Choices Conference has been sold out. Key note speakers include Chester Finn, and Chris Medina. The conference is being held on May 29 and 30 in Killington. It was asked if GMSA could put the conference information back on the website so participants can reference the information.
- H728 – amendments to the DD Act -- This bill has passed, and is awaiting signature from the Governor. Possible impacts were discussed.
- H555 – Focused on people with TBI, charged with committing a crime and found incompetent to stand trial. The department will be working on the initial report over the next few months. More information as it develops to follow.
- Melissa Bailey, Director of Integrated Family Services (IFS) has resigned her position. She will be leaving at the end of May. AHS is recruiting for a new director. Barb Prine asked that the committee receive an email regarding who will be the point of contact for IFS until a new director has been hired.
- There will be no SPSC meeting in August.
- It was asked that Andre Courcelle come to a future meeting to provide an overview of the TBI Program.

Questions from Committee on SOCP:

- Pg. 48: Having trouble making the math work in regard to the percent of conducted reviews. [Post meeting note: the math is correct – 307 individuals reviewed is 11% of the 2770 people receiving HCBS in FY 13 and 12% of the 2,649 people receiving HCBS in FY 12 – both of which are within the stated “10% to 15%”.]
- Pg. 27: It was asked to clarify “Employment Conversion Initiative”. Camille provided clarification.
- Pg. 9: “Choice of Providers” – Susan Yuan felt the description is a change from the previous language. Camille clarified.

Reminder: Public Hearing - Monday 5/19 at 5:30 p.m. at various VIT sites
Written comments due by May 30th

Meeting adjourned at 10:15 a.m. to start the System Of Care Plan public hearing